

TO: Legislative Regulation Review Committee
Capitol Building, Hartford, Connecticut

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SUBJECT: Proposed Regulations Concerning Standards for Foods

Enclosed please find the original proposed regulations and fiscal note in accordance with Section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes. If you should have any questions, please call Attorney Jerry Padula at 860/713-6089.

SUMMARY OF REGULATION

The purpose of these regulations is to unify Federal and State regulation of food products. The new standards are in conformance with national standards set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR"). The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station is working jointly with the Department in proposing these regulations.

These changes arise from the Department's participation in the "Manufactured Foods Regulatory Program Standards" ("MFRPS"), a continuous improvement effort led by Federal Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") to improve local programs that regulate food manufacturers.

The legal effect of this proposal would be to adopt new regulation Sections that incorporate definitions and rules set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations.

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